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In re Application of  
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Application No. 08/860,763  
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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 25, 2001, to revive the above-identified application.

This petition is hereby **Dismissed**.

Any request for reconsideration must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." This is **not** final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. §704.

This above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office Action of April 25, 2000. The final Office Action set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. No extensions of time were obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Accordingly, this application became abandoned on July 26, 2000. A Notice of Abandonment was subsequently mailed on December 6, 2000.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was intentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)) required by 37 CFR 1.137(c). Where there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137 was unintentional, the Commissioner may require additional information. See MPEP 711.03 (c)(III)(C) and (D).

The instant petition lacks item (1) the required reply. The proposed reply required for consideration of a petition to revive after a final Office Action must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b)), an amendment that prima facie

places the application in condition for allowance, the filing of a continuing application or a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(A)(2) and 37 CFR 1.114. Although Petitioner submitted an amendment on January 25, 2001, the examiner has determined the amendment does not place the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, this application cannot be revived.

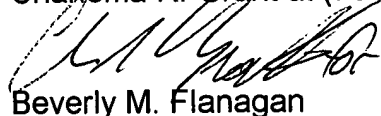
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